

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Please amend the claims 1 and 8 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A rear projection-type screen for passing and focusing image light emitted from an image light source, [[characterized in that]] comprising:

two sheet-like members, each made of a transparent material and having minute lenses formed on at least one surface thereof, are disposed such that the surfaces with the lenses formed thereon confront each other; and

a plurality of spacers are disposed, at appropriate spaced intervals between the confronting lenses of the two sheet-like members, (a) within an effective screen area [[and in a peripheral region of the effective screen area]] for passing and focusing the image light thereon and (b) in a peripheral region of the effective screen area.

2. (Original) The rear projection-type screen according to claim 1, characterized in that said two sheet-like members comprise, respectively, a lenticular lens sheet having a lenticular lens formed on at least one surface thereof and a Fresnel lens sheet having a Fresnel lens formed on one surface thereof.

3. (Original) The rear projection-type screen according to claim 1, characterized in that said two sheet-like members comprise, respectively, a compound-eye lens sheet having a compound-eye lens formed on one surface thereof and a Fresnel lens sheet having a Fresnel lens formed on one surface thereof.

4. (Original) The rear projection-type screen according to claim 1, characterized in that said spacers are positioned between the crests of lens elements of the confronting lenses of the two sheet-like members.

5. (Original) The rear projection-type screen according to claim 1, characterized in that said spacers are formed integrally with one of the sheet-like members.

6. (Original) The rear projection-type screen according to claim 1, characterized in that said spacers are formed to a size kept within a rectangular parallelepiped region having a depth, a width, and a height each of 1 mm or less.

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Currently Amended) A rear projection-type image display device for projecting image light emitted from an image light source at an enlarged scale with projection means,  
[[characterized by]] comprising:

a rear projection-type screen for passing and focusing the image light projected by the projection means;

said the rear projection-type screen comprising two sheet-like members, each made of a transparent material and having minute lenses formed on at least one surface thereof, the two sheet-like members being disposed such that their surfaces with the lenses formed thereon confront each other; and

a plurality of spacers disposed, at appropriate spaced intervals between the confronting lenses of the two sheet-like members, (a) within an effective screen area [[and in a peripheral region of the effective screen area]] for passing and focusing the image light thereon and (b) in a peripheral region of the effective screen area.

9. (Original) The rear projection-type image display device according to claim 8, characterized in that said two sheet-like members comprise, respectively, a lenticular lens sheet having a lenticular lens formed on at least one surface thereof and a Fresnel lens sheet having a Fresnel lens formed on one surface thereof.

10. (Original) The rear projection-type image display device according to claim 8, characterized in that said two sheet-like members comprise, respectively, a compound-eye lens sheet having a compound-eye lens formed on one surface thereof and a Fresnel lens sheet having a Fresnel lens formed on one surface thereof.

11. (Original) The rear projection-type image display device according to claim 8, characterized in that said spacers are positioned between the crests of lens elements of the confronting lenses of the two sheet-like members.

12. (Original) The rear projection-type image display device according to claim 8, characterized in that said spacers are formed integrally with one of the sheet-like members.

13. (Original) The rear projection-type image display device according to claim 8, characterized in that said spacers are formed to a size kept within a rectangular parallelepiped region having a depth, a width, and a height each of 1 mm or less.

14. (Cancelled)